## Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently amended) A method of presenting data over a network comprising: providing on a display device of a data processor a persistent graphical object representing a rotating globe that depicts a plurality of geographical points and a plurality of geographical regions representative of geographical locations of a physical world;

extracting <u>from a data memory</u> a plurality of content elements from at least one data file, at least one of the content elements conveying information related to at least one geographical location of the physical world;

superimposing the at least one content element on the graphical object at the geographical point or geographical region that is representative of the geographical location of the physical world to which the content element relates;

presenting said graphical object in a composition accessed by an initial application, said object having state and having one or more **possible** external connections;

allowing a user to indicate relocation of said graphical object to a location outside of said initial application; and

thereafter moving said graphical object to said outside location, preserving state of said graphical object.

- 2. (Original) The method according to claim 1 wherein said graphical object, once relocated, will persist and maintain state after termination of said initial application.
- 3. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1 wherein said initial application location is a web browser and said new location is a desktop provided by an operating system.
- 4. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1 wherein at least some of said content elements convey at least one of the following types of information:

one or more images indicating weather in various locations; and one or more links indicating news stories related to a particular location displayed on said globe.

- 5. (Original) The method according to claim 1 wherein said relocation may be repeated from a current location to any number of additional platforms.
- 6. (Currently amended) The method according to claim 3 wherein said desktop provided by an operating system is an interface of a platform, said platform selected from the group consisting of: a windows [[PC]] personal computer, a Macintosh [[PC]] personal computer, a Unix-type operating system, a set-top box, a wireless logic appliance, an internet appliance, a personal digital assistant, or another device connected to a network.
- 7. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1 wherein said new location is selected from the group consisting of: a desktop provided by an operating system, and a different computer platform with a different operating system.
- 8. (Currently amended) The method according to claim 1 wherein said graphical object comprises:

one or more user interface components and wherein said components are preserved after a relocation; and

one or more connections to one or more external entities and wherein said connections are **preserved after a relocation persistent**.

- 9. (Original) The method according to claim 1 wherein said allowing a user to indicate relocation comprises selecting and dragging a graphical object.
- 10. (Original) The method according to claim 1 wherein said allowing a user to indicate relocation comprises discontinuously selecting a graphical object and placing said object in a new location.

- 11. (Original) The method according to claim 8 wherein said one or more external entities are selected from the group consisting of: web servers, other applications, background processes, and other remote processes.
- 12. (Currently amended) [[A]] <u>An electronic data processing</u> system presenting web content comprising:

an information appliance displayable representation of a globe, where the globe is **persistent and is** displayed using **[[3D]] three dimensional** software rendering and wherein the globe depicts a plurality of geographical points and a plurality of geographical regions representative of geographical locations of a physical world;

a logic module that projects web content onto the surface of said representation of the globe:

wherein the logic module is configured to extract a plurality of content elements from at least one data file of a separate application, at least one of the content elements conveying information related to at least one geographical location of the physical world; and

wherein the logic module is configured to superimpose the at least one content element on the globe at the geographical point or geographical region that is representative of the geographical location of the physical world to which the content element relates[[;]].

- 13. (Currently amended) A system according to claim 12 wherein said information appliance is configured to provide the representation of the globe through a web browser as embedded in a web page and can **be relocated to** reside on an operating system desktop.
- 14. (Previously Presented) A system according to claim 12 further comprising means for rendering web content on the globe as channels, wherein a channel is a set of related content from a content provider, an association of content providers, or a broker of web content, and wherein a content item in a channel has a geographical distribution.
- 15. (Previously Presented) A system according to claim 14 further comprising means for associating the content item with points on said representation of the globe or regions on said representation of the globe.

- 16. (Currently amended) A system according to claim 14 **further comprising** means for providing a textual window that will pop up that reveals details about the content item when a cursor is moved over the content item.
- 17. (Currently amended) A system according to claim 14 **further comprising** means for associating the content item with actions that are triggered when a user selects the content item.
- 18. (Currently amended) A system according to claim 17 wherein said actions are one or more selected from the group consisting of:

opening a web browser with a **[[URL]]** <u>Uniform Resource Locator</u> link as a parameter; bringing content to the globe with a parameter the web address of content; and initiation of communication to a GlobeVoii user through email, chat, or sending an instant message.

- 19. (Currently amended) A system according to claim 14 further comprising means for defining channels using **[[XL]] Extensible Markup Language** format describing content at least in terms of geographic position, click-action, and parameters for click action.
- 20. (Previously Presented) A system according to claim 19 wherein channels reference Envoil sub-compositions configured to be added dynamically to a GlobeVoil application.
- 21. (Previously Presented) A system according to claim 14 comprising means for licensing channels to channel providers on a pay per channel, pay per end user, or a pay per user action basis.
- 22. (Previously Presented) A system according to claim 14 wherein a texture map rendered on said representation of the globe is part of a separate 2D rendering system, said

- 2D rendering system comprising a local display managing system for managing repainting damages.
- 23. (Previously Presented) A system according to claim 14 wherein a representation of the globe is configured to display real time daylight illumination of Earth using 3D shading.